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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2002 be extended for a period of two month(s) from February 5, 2003 to and including April 5, 2003, which is a Saturday.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$205.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Date: April 7, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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